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SUBJECT: REPRESENTATION AT IEA GOVERNING BOARD MEETING ON R&D

1. SECRETARY IN HIS MAY 27, 1975 ADDRESS TO THE MINISTERIAL LEVEL MEETING OF IEA CALLED FOR MEETING OF LEADING GOVERNMENTAL R&D OFFICIALS AT SPECIAL SESSION OF GOVERNING BOARD "TO COMPLETE DESIGN OF A JOINT ENERGY R&D PROGRAM..."

2. SUBJECT MEETING NOW SET FOR AFTERNOON NOVEMBER 20, AND ALL DAY NOVEMBER 21 AT OECD HEADQUARTERS, PARIS. PRELIMINARY LISTING DISCUSSION ITEMS CONTAINED DOCUMENT NO. (IEA/SLT/75)95 DATED 3 OCTOBER 1975 TITLED "PREPARATION FOR THE NOVEMBER 1975 GOVERNING BOARD MEETING ON ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (NOTE BY DR. W. SCHMIDT-KUESTER, CHAIRMAN: SUBGROUP ON ENERGY R&D)." ALTHOUGH THIS BEING REVISED THERE PROBABLY WILL BE LITTLE CHANGE IN BASIC PLAN FOR MEETING WHICH IS TO HAVE ITNOVER (A) ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF LAST YEAR, (B) PREPARATION FOR SYSTEMATIC ASSESSMENT OF ENERGY R&D NEEDS OF IEA MEMBER COUNTRIES AS WELL AS

DEVELOPMENT OF STRATEGY TO MEET NEEDS, (C) EXPANSION OF R&D ACTIVITIES INTO NEW AREAS.

3. WE CONSIDER PROPER REPRESENTATION AT THIS MEETING TO BE OF GREATEST IMPORTANCE IN BRINGING ABOUT PRODUCTIVE SESSION AND SHAPING FUTURE ROLE IEA R&D PROGRAMS.

4. U.S. REPRESENTATION THIS MEETING WILL BE HEADED BY DR. ROBERT SEAMANS, ADMINISTRATOR, U.S. ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION. DR. SEAMANS, ALTHOUGH NOT CABINET MEMBER, REPORTS DIRECTLY TO PRESIDENT. WE HOPE THAT REPRESENTATION OTHER IEA MEMBER COUNTRIES CAN BE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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EQUIVALENT LEVEL AND THAT REPRESENTATIVE CAN BE BOTH FULLY KNOWLEDGEABLE IEA R&D SUBGROUP PROGRAMS AND CAPABLE IMPLEMENTING POLICY DECISIONS GROWING OUT OF GOVERNING

BOARD R&D MEETING.

5. WE WOULD FIND IT USEFUL AT THIS TIME TO KNOW WHO MEMBER COUNTRY GOVERNMENTS ARE PLANNING TO SEND TO THIS

MEETING AND TO IDENTIFY ANY PRELIMINARY THOUGHTS THAT MAY HAVE BEEN DEVELOPED ABOUT THE TOPICS TO BE DISCUSSED OR THE EXPECTED RESULTS OF THE MEETING. IF REPRESENTATIVES HAVE NOT YET BEEN CHOSEN, EMBASSIES SHOULD URGE PROMPT SELECTION ALONG LINES DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH 4 NOTING IMPORTANCE U.S. PLACES ON MAKING IEA R&D COOPERATION THE PRINCIPAL FOCUS OF OUR MULTILATERAL COOPERATION IN ENERGY TECHNOLOGY.

6. WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIPT INFORMATION REQUESTED PARAGRAPH 5 NO LATER THAN 30 OCTOBER. KISSINGER

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